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b. a delivery source for the delivery of one or more therapeutic agents to the surface of the heart.

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12. (Amended) A device for treating cardiac disease of a heart having an upper portion and a lower portion divided by an A-V groove, the device comprising:

- a. a jacket of flexible material defining a volume between an upper end and a lower end, the jacket adapted to be secured to the heart and adapted to be adjusted on the heart to snugly conform to an external geometry of the heart and assume a maximum adjusted volume for the jacket to constrain circumferential expansion of the heart beyond the maximum adjusted volume during diastole and permit substantially unimpeded contraction of the heart during systole; and
 - b. a delivery source comprising a coating on the jacket for the delivery of one or more therapeutic agents to the surface of the heart.
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19. (Amended) A method for treating cardiac disease of a heart having an upper portion and a lower portion divided by an A-V groove, the method comprising:

- a. surgically accessing the heart;
 - b. applying a treatment device on the heart, the device comprising:
 - 1) a jacket of flexible, elastic material defining a volume between an upper end and a lower end, the jacket adapted to be secured to the heart and adapted to be adjusted on the heart to snugly conform to an external geometry of the heart and assume a maximum adjusted volume for the jacket to constrain circumferential expansion of the heart beyond the maximum adjusted volume during diastole and permit substantially unimpeded contraction of the heart during systole; and
 - 2) a delivery source for the delivery of one or more therapeutic agents to the surface of the heart;
 - c. securing the treatment device to the heart; and
 - d. surgically closing access to the heart while leaving the treatment device on the heart.
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21. (Amended) A method for providing controlled and sustained administration of one or more therapeutic agents effective in treating cardiac disease, the method comprising surgically implanting a sustained therapeutic agent delivery system at a desired location on the heart, the therapeutic agent delivery system comprising:

- a. a jacket of flexible, elastic material defining a volume between an upper end and a lower end, the jacket adapted to be secured to the heart and adapted to be adjusted on the heart to snugly conform to an external geometry of the heart and assume a maximum adjusted volume for the jacket to constrain circumferential expansion of the heart beyond the maximum adjusted volume during diastole and permit substantially unimpeded contraction of the heart during systole; and
- b. a delivery source for the delivery of one or more therapeutic agents to the surface of the heart.